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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

Docket No: Q64166

Koji YAMAMOTO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/840,917

Group Art Unit: 1754

Confirmation No.: 5248

Examiner: Steven J. Bos

Filed: April 25, 2001

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN INORGANIC OXIDE POWDER

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

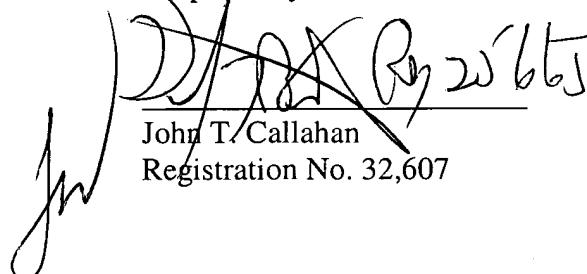
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Election of Species Requirement dated December 5, 2002, Applicants elect aluminum oxide as the inorganic oxide. Claims 1-10 read on the elected species.

Examination of the application on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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